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CASE NO. 20818

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of: SONG ET AL.

Serial No. 10/054,413

Filed January 22, 2002

Group Art Unit 1743

Examiner Monique T. Cole

For: PROCESS FOR MAKING SPIRO ISOBENZOFURANONE
COMPOUNDS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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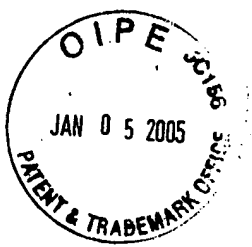
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

With reference to the Official Action dated November 30, 2004, made final, the Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks in the hope that they will place the application in condition for allowance or at least in better condition for appeal. This reply is being filed before January 30, 2005, which is within two months from the mailing date of the Official Action dated November 30, 2004. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the accompanying amendments and remarks.

Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Please amend the application as follows: